

NOTICE OF *PROPOSED* SETTLEMENT OF WESTERN REGIONAL INTEGRATED HEALTH AUTHORITY PRIVACY BREACH CLASS ACTION

<p><u>Notice of Proposed Settlement</u></p> <p>A settlement has been reached in a class action lawsuit regarding the Western Regional Integrated Health Authority privacy breach class action (“Western Health”).</p> <p>In August 2012 letters were sent to 1043 individuals from Western Health advising them that their personal health information had been inappropriately accessed by an employee.</p> <p>This Notice advises you of the <i>proposed</i> settlement and of the hearing that will be held to decide whether the <i>Proposed Settlement Agreement</i> should be approved by the Supreme Court of Newfoundland and Labrador, General Division.</p>	<p><u>Objecting to the Proposed Settlement Agreement and Opportunity to Appear</u></p> <p>If you wish to object to the <i>proposed</i> settlement agreement, you must submit a <u>written</u> objection to Bob Buckingham Law by no later than August 15, 2024 at the firm’s address 81 Bond Street, St. John’s, NL A1C 1T2. Bob Buckingham Law will file copies of all objections with the Court. DO NOT send an objection directly to the Court.</p> <p>You may also attend the Settlement Approval Hearing and, if you submitted a written objection to Bob Buckingham Law, the Court may permit you to make oral submissions.</p> <p>To read the <i>Settlement Approval Application</i>, please visit the Class Counsels’ websites listed in the “Who Represents Me” block.</p>		
<p><u>Who is the included?</u></p> <p>If the proposed settlement is approved, it will apply to the eligible 887 class members who received the August 2012 letters as indicated above but excluding any persons who opted out of the class action by providing a valid opt-out form by the opt-out deadline.</p>	<p><u>Following the Settlement Hearing</u></p> <p>If the settlement agreement is approved by the Supreme Court, and you are a Class Member, you will receive a \$700.00* cheque in the mail within thirty (30) days of the Final Order being issued. (*See Frequently Asked Questions # 4 for the breakdown of the payment amount to you.)</p>		
<p><u>What is the Proposed Settlement?</u></p> <p>The proposed settlement provides for a \$962,552.40 payment from the Defendant to the Class members. The settlement funds will pay \$610.00 for general damages and \$125.22 for pre-judgement interest to each Class members.</p> <p>The proposed settlement payment of \$962,552.40 is comprised of: (1) general damages to each Class Member, (2) pre-judgment interest to each Class Member, (3) cost of settlement administration, (4) honorarium payment to the Representative Plaintiffs, (5) Class Counsel legal fees and disbursements.</p>	<p><u>Who Represents Me?</u></p> <p>You are represented by Class Counsel in the proceeding who are:</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> <p>Mr. Bob Buckingham Bob Buckingham Law 81 Bond Street St. John’s, NL A1C 1T2 Tel: 709-739-6688, Ext 5 www.buckinghamlaw.ca</p> </td> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> <p>Mr. Andrew May Brothers Law Office 89 West Valley Road Corner Brook, NL A2H 2X4 Tel: 709-639-3400 www.brotherslaw.ca</p> </td> </tr> </table> <p>Email: claims@buckinghamlaw.ca</p>	<p>Mr. Bob Buckingham Bob Buckingham Law 81 Bond Street St. John’s, NL A1C 1T2 Tel: 709-739-6688, Ext 5 www.buckinghamlaw.ca</p>	<p>Mr. Andrew May Brothers Law Office 89 West Valley Road Corner Brook, NL A2H 2X4 Tel: 709-639-3400 www.brotherslaw.ca</p>
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<p><u>The Settlement Agreement Requires Supreme Court Approval</u></p> <p>In order for the settlement agreement to become effective, it must be approved by the Supreme Court. The Supreme Court must be satisfied that the settlement agreement is fair, reasonable and in the best interest of the Class.</p> <p>The Settlement Approval Hearing date is September 18, 2024 at 10:00 am at the Supreme Court of Newfoundland and Labrador, General Division, 82 Mount Bernard Avenue, Corner Brook.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">This Notice is approved by the Supreme Court of Newfoundland and Labrador.</p>		